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**MAMMOTH PAVILION**  
**CRICKET GROUND.**  
**GRAND MILITARY NIGHT.**  
 Under the Distinguished Patronage and  
 sanction of  
 Lieut-Colonel A. D. GEDDES,  
 and the OFFICERS of the 27th Regiment  
 Who have signified their intention of keeping  
 the Performance with their presence.  
**TO-MORROW EVENING, April 33th,**  
**PROFESSOR HENNIC**  
 AND  
**MADAME STELLA.**  
 IN THEIR RECHERCHE DRAWING-ROOM  
 ENTERTAINMENT.  
**GRAND CHANGE OF PROGRAM**  
**TO-NIGHT.**  
**NEW MAGICAL EFFECTS AND ILLUSIONS TO-NIGHT.**  
**"ARABIAN BOX MYSTERY,"**  
 AND THE  
**"ENCHANTED LADY FLOATING**  
**IN THE AIR."**  
 With Magnificent Lime Light Effects.  
**REDUCED PRICES**  
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**ADMISSION —**

Reserved Chairs ..... \$1.00  
 Second Class ..... 50 Cts.  
 Third Class ..... 25 Cts.  
 Dues begin at \$3.00, commencing precisely  
 N.B.—Tickets to be obtained at the Office  
 Mess and of the Colour Sergeants; and a  
 Dances on Friday Evening.  
 And by special permission of Lieut.-Col.  
 GEORGE, a portion of the Band of the 27th  
 will be in attendance and play Selections during  
 Evening.  
 Hongkong, 29th April, 1886.

**FOR HOIHOW, PAKHOI, AND PHONG.**  
**THE Steamship**  
**"PING-ON."**  
 McCoslin, Master, will be dispatched for  
 above Ports TO-DAY, the 29th inst., at 6  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
 RUSSELL &  
 Hongkong, 29th April, 1886.

**OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY**

TOLLING CARGO OF PASSENGERS OF LARGES  
 FOR CREW, NEWCHANG, TENGSHIN, HASS  
 AND PORTS ON THE YANGTSE.  
**THE Company's Steamship**  
 "PATROCLOS"  
 Captain M. R. Whitte, will be despatched  
**SATURDAY, the 1st May, at 5 P.M.**  
 For Freight or Passage, apply to  
 BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents  
 Hongkong, 25th April, 1920.  
**NOTICE**  
**SEALED TENDERS** will be received  
 Undersealed until Noon on **SATURDAY**  
 the 8th of May, for **RECONSTRUCTION**  
 part of the **WALLS OF CLO. SWIRE** at **Kowloon**  
 and separately, for **Sundry REPAIRS** at **YIN** and **KE**.  
 Further information may be obtained on  
 application.  
**JOHN BREMER,**  
 Naval Storekeeper  
 H.M.'s Naval Yard.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1880.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons having CLAIMS against the Estate of the late B. W. WICKHAM, China, and all Persons indebted thereto, are requested to forward their Claims and to pay Payment of their indebtedness to the Under signed on or before the 30th proximo.

J. C. WARDLAW,  
Executor and Liquidator of the above Estate.  
Amoy, 21st April, 1880. (1m)

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG CLUB will take place at the House on WEDNESDAY, the 5th May, at 4.30 P.M., for the purpose of confirming the Resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting held previously.

By Order, EDWARD BEARER,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1880.

**WANTED a FOREMAN CARPENTER** for a Graving Dock; one that served in that capacity previously preferred. Apply to Captain THOMPSON, on board Steamship "DALE".  
Hongkong, 24th April, 1880.

**YANGTZE RIVER INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.**  
**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
The Directors have declared an **EXTRA DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT.** on the Shareholders' Capital, payable at the Office of the Directors, on the 24th instant to the SHAREHOLDERS OF RECORD on the 20th instant.  
By Order of the Directors,  
**RUSSELL & CO.**  
Secretaries.  
Shanghai, 16th April, 1880.

**KOWLOON HOTEL.**  
Pleasantly situated on Kowloon Peninsula.  
**BOWLING ALLEYS, BILLIARDS, PATENT SHOOTING GALLERIES.**

REFRIGERATORS BEST QUALITY ONLY  
RICH BRAUN  
HONGKONG, 30th March, 1880.

**T H E S T A B L E T O T E**  
QUEEN'S ROAD HONGKONG.  
This Hotel is centrally situated, and within a  
minutes walk of the principal Landing Stage  
and the principal Hotels and Cafés of the Colony.  
Good Accommodation for Visitors.  
New English and American Billiard Table  
(85) J. COOK, PROPRIETOR.

**SINGAPORE GRAVING DOCK**  
NOTICE.  
A CONSIDERABLE REDUCTION  
has been made since the 15th of February in  
Rates for Work done in the Graving Dock  
the undermentioned Classes of Work in the Shop  
for Cleaning and Painting Iron Vessels, and  
Coppering Wooden Vessels.  
Tariff Rates can be had on Application  
either at the Company's Office in Singapore,  
or at the Office of their respective Local Agents.

Messrs. PATERSON AND SIMONS  
 30, Lime Street,  
 For the New Harbour Dock Company, Limited  
 (Signed) CHARLES WISHART  
 Manager  
 Messrs. MATTAGAGALL, TIDMAN & CO  
 34, Leadenhall Street,  
 For the Tanjong Paper Dock Company, Limited  
 (Signed) E. M. SMITH,  
 6ut594 Manager.  
**"JAPAN GAZETTE,"**  
 YOKOHAMA.  
**H**AVING been appointed AGENT in HON-  
 G KONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan*  
*Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary",  
 "Houng Lee", Order for Subscriptions and  
 Advertisements for that Paper will be received  
 at this Office.  
*Hongkong Daily Press Office,*  
 Hongkong, 29rd May, 1897







## MAILS EXPECTED

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. and O. steamer *Thetis*, with the new English mail, left Singapore at 5 P.M. on the 23rd, and may be expected here to-day or tomorrow.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The two direct steamers, with the next India mail, left Calcutta on the morning of the 21st April, and may be expected here on the 6th 7th May.

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**POST-OFFICE NOTICES.**

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▲ MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Newelwhang.—To-day, the 29th instant at 11.30 A.M.

For Shanghai and Hankow.—Per *Breconshire*—To-day, the 29th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

For Hoikow, Pakhoi, and Haiphong.—Per *Ping-on*, to-day, the 29th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Bangkok.—To-morrow, the 30th instant at 6.30 P.M.

For Straits, Settlements.—To-morrow, the 30th instant, at 2.30 P.M.

For Cooktown, Sydney, and Melbourne.—Per *Normanby*, to-morrow, the 30th instant, at 1 P.M.

For Yokohama, via Kobe.—Per *Niigata*, *Matsuyama*, to-morrow, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.  
For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Namoo*, on Saturday, the 1st prox., at 5 P.M.

His Excellency the Governor is pleased to order, under Section XII. of the Post Office Ordinance, 1876, that the Late Fee charged Correspondence posted after certain hours in Europe, America, the Australian Colonies, Shanghai, &c., shall be 10 Cents, instead of as is hitherto.

**MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET**

The British Contract Packet "KASHGAR" will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 1st May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, *via* Brindisi; the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Colon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australian Colonies.

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**  
The French Contract Packet "ANADY" will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 8th May, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, *via* Naples, to Sicily.

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, BATAVIA, BURMAH, COLOMBO, INDIA (via Madras), AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, FIJI, ADELS, SUEZ, AND ALEXANDRIA.

**HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT MAILS.**

**THE FRENCH MAIL.—DAY BEFORE DEPARTURE.**

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the night box, which is always open out of office hours.

**DAY OF DEPARTURE.**

7 A.M., Post Office opens.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting

all printed matter and patterns ceases.  
11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.  
1110 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until —  
1130 A.M., when the Post Office closes on business.  
1210 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on condition of the packet with Late Fee of 18 Cents until time of departure.

THE ENGLISH MAIL.—DAY OF DEPARTURE  
1 P.M., Money Order Office closes.  
3 P.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.  
4 P.M., Mails close, except for Late Letters.  
410 P.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until —

Fee of 10 cents until  
4.30 P.M., when the Post Office closes entirely.  
4.40 P.M., Late Letters may be posted on board  
the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents in  
advance of time of departure.

**REGULATIONS AS TO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS'  
LETTERS.**

1. Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Non-  
commissioned Officers,\* Army Schoolmasters  
(not Superintending or First Class) or School-  
mistresses may send half-ounce letters to  
United Kingdom via Brindisi or via Marseilles  
at the rate of four cents (two pence) each, with

may be prepaid either in Imperial or in Hong Kong Stamps.

2.—The same privileges apply to letters addressed to the Privates and Non-commissioned Officers named above.

3.—All such letters prepaid at the former rate of two cents (one penny) will be forwarded to the United Kingdom by private steamer and not by the mail packets.

4.—Private steamers leave Hongkong for London about every ten days, and are from seven weeks on the voyage.

5.—The letters must not exceed half an ounce. No. 1. and 2. Chiefly Jewellers, &c. can be used.

8.—If from a Soldier or Sailor his class and description must be stated in full on the letter the cover of which must be signed by the Commanding Officer, with name of regiment, station, &c., in full.

7.—If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class and description, with name of regiment, ship, &c., must be stated in full.

8.—Soldiers and Sailors have no privileges with regard to books or papers, nor can these be prepared with Imperial Stamps.

\* But not Warrant Officers. viz.—Assistant

**R. TEA MUSTERS.**  
Persons who send **MUSTERS** of Tea through the Post or Tins are requested to have them made flat or square instead of round, as it is impossible to pack round tins securely in the bags. It is believed that the tea will travel more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable as round ones to be bulged in.  
4 by 3 by 1½ inches is suggested as a good size. The tins should not have sharp corners.

Office not sealed, that is to say, the box fastened with sealing wax, but there is no provision of a seal.

The attention of boxholders is called to necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with some recognizable seal, and of sending a book or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached Post Office; the omission of the former, a whether part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamps.

The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered Correspondence, but henceforth it will be prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$100 in certain cases, provided:—

- 1.—That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.
- 2.—That the letter was securely enclosed in reasonably strong envelope.
- 3.—That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately

loss was discovered, the envelope being invariably forwarded with such application unless it is lost.

4.—That the Postmaster-General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal Administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person, nor by the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5.—No compensation can be paid for damages to fragile articles such as, portraits, watches, handseamly bound books, &c., when

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office are allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$50 in value, must be perfectly clean and good condition, and in strips of at least two separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented separately or accompanied

Letters containing Stamps should be secured by observation.



